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Mr. Jay Simonton Director of Utilities City of Yuma 155 West 14th Street Yuma, AZ 85364

Subject: Approval of Calendar Year 2015 Colorado River Diversion for the City of Yuma (City)

Dear Mr. Simonton:

In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations Part 417 (Part 417), this letter provides the City with notice of my determination regarding the City's proposed diversion and beneficial use of Colorado River water for calendar year 2015.

Under Contract No. 14-06-W-106, as amended, the City is entitled to consumptively use up to 50,000 acre-feet (AF) per year of Colorado River water for use within its service area.

Based upon a review of the calendar year 2015 diversion estimate provided by the City and the information gathered during the Bureau of Reclamation's annual Part 417 consultation process, I approve the diversion of up to 27,318 AF of Colorado River water during calendar year 2015 for use in the City's service area. This approved diversion results in an estimated consumptive use of 17,051 AF.

Reclamation will monitor and project diversions and consumptive use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2015 in an effort to ensure each entitlement holder's annual approval amount is not exceeded. Beginning in January 2015, these projections will be available to water users on a daily basis on Reclamation's website: www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast15.pdf. It is expected that entitlement holders within the state of Arizona will use this information to adjust diversions to remain within approved annual quantities or, as appropriate, seek modification of the approval.

Thank you for submitting the City's diversion estimate for 2015. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul Matuska, Water Accounting and Verification Group Manager, at 702-293-8164.

Sincerely,

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